DEDICATION

This issue is dedicated to the memory of Bill Ricker, eminent fisheries scientist and Plecopterologist, who died on September 8, 2001 at "Berwick-on-the-Lake" in Nanaimo, British Columbia. We celebrate his long and productive life, and here particularly his many contributions to knowledge of Plecoptera. See following section on Bill Ricker.

COVER ILLUSTRATION

Rakuraperla nudipes male. An original drawing done by Ian McLellan in 1976 for his 1977 New Alpine and Southern Plecoptera from New Zealand. Found only on Stewart Island, the adults of this southern alpine species is completely wingless and terrestrial with short antennae, very short palps and cerci and no empodia between the tarsal claws.